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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated April 22, 2002, be extended for three months to and including October 22, 2002.

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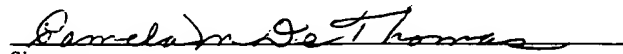
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